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**SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION PAPER, JULY 2012**

**TITLE OF PAPER : ADMINISTRATION OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT**

**COURSE CODE : PA305**

**TIME ALLOWED : THREE (3) HOURS**

**INSTRUCTINS : 1. ANSWER FOUR (4) QUESTIONS, TWO (2)  
FROM EACH SECTION.**  
**2. ALL QUESTIONS CARRY EQUAL MARKS.**

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### **SECTION A**

1. There are basic differences between 'rural development' and 'agricultural development'. Discuss.
2. Examine the key features of the definition and meaning of poverty based on relative deprivation and comment on its theoretical shortcomings.
3. Discuss the significance of rural development and examine the consequences of the pursuit, by African countries in the immediate post-independence era of development strategies and policies that were anchored on industrialization and urbanization.
4. The international economic system is characterized by two kinds of world agriculture. Discuss.

### **SECTION B**

5. Define the term 'agrarian system' and examine the reasons why Third World agrarian systems retard rather than promote rural development.
6. Discuss the obstacles that prevent agricultural extension services from playing a meaningful role in promoting rural development in Africa.
7. Discuss the planning machinery that was invoked in the implementation of the Rural Development Areas Programme (RDAP) in Swaziland and comment on its administrative inadequacies.
8. Examine the reasons why development in general and the agricultural sector in particular in African countries suffers from economic stagnation.